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**PETITION TO WITHDRAW FROM ISSUE
 UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.313(c)(2)**

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.313(c)(2), Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner for Patents to withdraw the above-referenced application from issue to permit consideration of a Request for Continued Examination (“RCE”) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 accompanied by an Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. §1.97.

Applicants do not waive any right to appropriate action to establish patentability over the cited references should one or more of them be applied against the pending claims.

As suggested in M.P.E.P. §1308, the undersigned has contacted the Office of Petitions by telephone, and was informed by Mr. Dingle that sufficient time remains before the patent issue date to consider this petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.313(c). In accordance with M.P.E.P. §1308, this petition is sufficient grounds to waive the requirement that an application under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 be filed before payment of the issue fee. Applicants respectfully request that the Request for Continued Examination (RCE), and Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) including PTO/SB/08 filed herewith be considered. If a re-submission of the RCE, IDS and PTO/SB/08 is required, please contact the undersigned.

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The petition fee of \$130.00 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(h) is being submitted herewith. Prompt and favorable consideration of this petition is respectfully requested. Should there be any questions regarding this Petition, or the accompanying papers, please contact the undersigned at (703) 456-8573.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16, 1.17, and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1283.

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